

# St. Peter the Apostle University & Community Parish

## The Catholic Center at Rutgers University



**SACRED HISTORY** · St. Peter the Apostle University and Community Parish is one of the oldest Catholic churches in New Jersey. The Cornerstone of the Church was laid in 1856, upon the completion of the lower church, which now serves as the Parish hall and offices.

### SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE:

**Saturday Vigil:** 5:00 p.m.

**Sunday:** 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12:00 p.m.

*Registration to attend required. Please visit [StPeterNewBrunswick.org](http://StPeterNewBrunswick.org) for more details.*

### WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE:

**Monday – Friday:** 7:30 a.m. in St. Peter's Church

**Monday – Thursday:** 12:15 p.m. in St. Peter's Church

**Saturday:** 9:00 a.m. in St. Peter's Church

*No registration required.*

**HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION:** 7:30 a.m., 12:15 p.m., 7:30 p.m.

For any last minute changes regarding the Mass schedule on Holy Days of Obligation, please visit: [StPeterNewBrunswick.org](http://StPeterNewBrunswick.org).

**CONFESSION (Sacrament of Reconciliation):**

Saturdays: 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon, in the church sacristy; and by appointment

### EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION:

In the case of an **emergency** requiring a priest after business hours, please call **609-661-2409**.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY:** 732-668-6584

(for assessment of assistance needed, leave message including name and contact number)

### BAPTISMS:

Normally scheduled on the second & fourth Sundays of the month at 12:30pm (not during Lent). Please observe the requirements for sponsors. Must contact the office in advance to register. First-time parents are required to attend a baptism formation session.

### WEDDINGS:

Marriage arrangements should be made one year in advance of the wedding. Please call the parish office before making other definitive plans. Once a wedding is approved and the date is confirmed, the required marriage preparation process may commence.

### PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK:

Please call the parish office to make arrangements for the administration of the Sacrament of the Sick and/or for the reception of the Holy Eucharist to those who are ill or elderly.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:** Fridays, 12pm-3pm in St. Peter's Church (During the semester only. Adoration resumes Jan. 22 and will continue through May.)

## PARISH OFFICE AT ST. PETER'S CHURCH

94 Somerset Street, New Brunswick, NJ 08901  
 Phone: **732.545.6820** Fax: 732.545.4069  
 Visit our website: **StPeterNewBrunswick.org**

Office Hours: Mon, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.  
 Tues, 1:00 p.m.- 4:00 p.m.  
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### Parish Clergy:

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### **St. Peter's Cemetery**

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 New Brunswick, NJ 08901  
 Phone: 732.249.0894  
 William Carroll- Cemetery Director



### **Our Parish Is On Venmo!**

RU Students and those who use debit cards, St. Peter the Apostle University and Community Parish is now on Venmo! Please consider sacrificing one cup of name-brand coffee each week and donate the cost to help support our parish and campus ministry. Every sacrifice to the Lord matters and is appreciated!

You can find us on the Venmo app by searching for either of the following two options, or by scanning the QR code with your cell phone camera. The profile picture will be the front of St. Peter's Church.

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*St Peter University Parish at Rutgers @ FrJay*



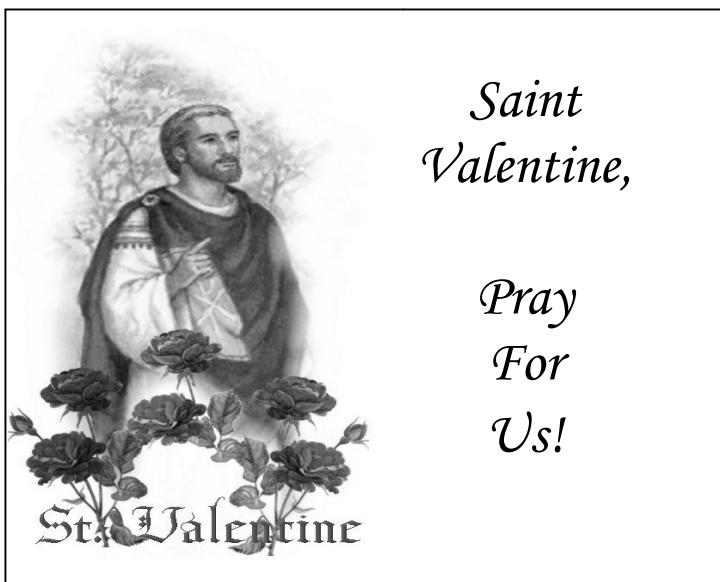
### **Report of the Sunday Offerings in Support of Our Parish**

#### **Fiscal Year 2021**

The Sunday offering is the principle means by which we fund the ordinary operations of our parish and its ministries. Thank you for making ministry possible at St. Peter the Apostle University and Community Church.

Please consider using WePay or another form of automated giving as your preferred means of contributing to the support of the parish. You can sign up for online giving by clicking on the "**Giving**" photo-button on the home page of our Parish website: [www.StPeterNewBrunswick.org](http://www.StPeterNewBrunswick.org)

When writing or updating your will, please remember our parish in your planning. For more information on planned giving, please contact the parish office.



Mass Intentions**Monday, February 15** - Weekday

7:30 a.m. Margaret Setar  
12:15 p.m. Romana & Jorge Bombita, Sr. & Michael Parades

**Tuesday, February 16** - Weekday

7:30 a.m. Healing & Recovery for Voula Begley  
12:15 p.m.

**Wednesday, February 17** - ASH WEDNESDAY

7:30 a.m. Dorothy Cervine  
12:15 p.m. Margaret Setar  
8:00 p.m. Raymond Hughes

**Thursday, February 18** - Thursday after Ash Wednesday

7:30 a.m.  
12:15 p.m. Intentions of Shary, Chelsea and Chiara Tibbitt

**Friday, February 19** - Friday after Ash Wednesday

7:30 a.m. Margaret Setar

**Saturday, February 20** - Saturday after Ash Wednesday

9:00 a.m.  
5:00 p.m. Eleuterio and Andrea Banaag

**Sunday, February 21** - FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

7:30 a.m. For the clergy, staff and parishioners of St. Peter's Parish  
9:00 a.m. Joseph Wittreich, Jr.  
10:30 a.m. Deceased members of the Anigbogus & Onwuasonyas Families  
12:00 p.m. Deceased members of the Anigbogus & Onwuasonyas families AND THE WORLD

*If you would like to reserve a Mass intention or obtain a Mass card, please contact Colleen, at 732-545-6663 x 12 or email [colleen@stpeternewbrunswick.org](mailto:colleen@stpeternewbrunswick.org). Mass intentions will be offered once the stipend fee (s) is received.*



We are very pleased to introduce you to the Saint Peter's Gianna Center located in New Brunswick, NJ.

The Center is dedicated to offering truly prolife women's health care, including infertility services, general gynecologic care, and more. All services are provided in accordance with the US Catholic Bishops Ethical and Religious Directives for Catholic Health Care Services.

Please visit

<http://www.saintpetershcs.com/GiannaCenter/>  
or contact us at 732-565-5490 for more information.

**Don't miss another Update from our parish!**

We have a tremendous community here at St. Peter's and we want to make sure it's as easy as possible for every one of you to be involved and connected to it all.

Text SPNB to 84576 and join our parish Flocknote Community! Once you send that in, Flocknote will text you back a confirmation message AND another message with a link you'll need to click to complete the process.

*In your charity, please pray for...*

Kevin Hoagland, Thomas Spataro, Connor Montferrat, Theresa Birdsey, Ginnie Previte, Jonathan Swedel, John William Criscuoli, Danielle Reiser, Esther Wambui, Norman Corbett, Florence Gowin, Margaret Cleary, Teresa Yannazzone, Bill Spataro, Nicholas Rossi, Chris Joyce, Gary Vavila, Patricia & Sylvanus Ashamole, Louis Svelec, Joseph D'Imperio III, the sick members of the Akushie and Nwachukwu Families, Doris Tarquinio, Rick Scuderi, Linda Ryan, Rita Pietrobono, Nicole Mancini, Angelo Mancini, Becky Yurga, Rebecca Miller, Orlando Gines, Yvonne Finaldi, Sheila Lavery, Tanya Davis, Sgt. John McLaughlin, Patricia Deri, Alessia DePasquale, Brian Donoghue, Christine Fellin, Jose Lopez, Joseph Gerity, Mary Cignarella, Lorraine Fellin, Mary Hall, Russell J. Hall, Angelo Rossi, Mary Ann Hrapsky, William Kish, Maria Kratzar, Theresita DeGuzman, Bette Smith, Mary Spicer, Tom and Kathleen Monchek, Anna Graziosi, Shirley Murphy, Joey Mahoney, Evelyn Echevarria, Patricia Krakowski, Carmella LaVera, Joseph Gutsick, Barbara Wittreich, Frederick DeLong, Anne Gutsick-Smith, W.J.R., Ag Yashinski, Marge Alfrey, Boris Rukshin, Jay Sherman, Jake Sherman, The Thompson Family

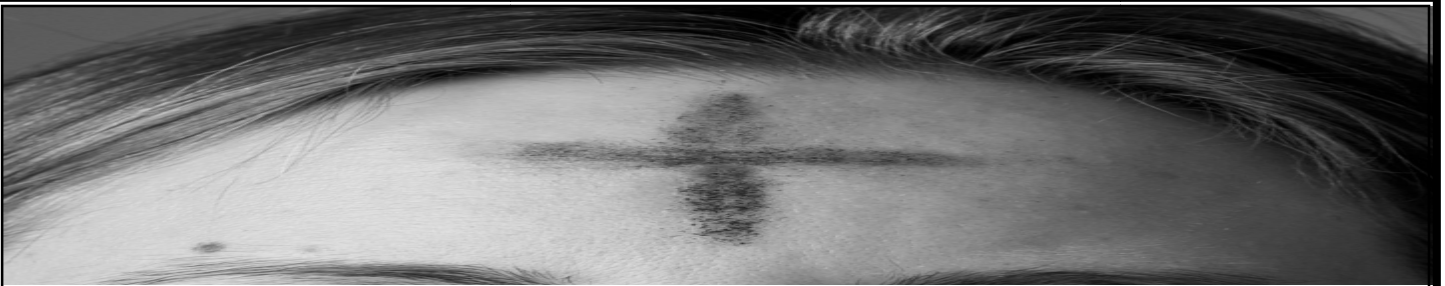
*All the sick, those who are homebound, the hospitalized, and all who serve in the military*

**Volunteer to Make Pocket Rosaries for Law Enforcement**

The Office of Family Life is pleased to announce the creation of the Blue Rosary Guild. The purpose of the Guild is for community members of all ages to make pocket Rosaries for law enforcement officers, providing them with support and spiritual strength and promoting devotion to the Rosary among all the faithful. All materials and instructions will be provided and a Zoom virtual tutorial will also be scheduled.

Anyone interested should contact Cristina D'Averso-Collins, Director of the Office of Family Life at [cdaverso@diometuchen.org](mailto:cdaverso@diometuchen.org).





### **Ash Wednesday Liturgies and Registration**

Brothers and Sisters,

The holy season of Lent will begin with Ash Wednesday on Wednesday, February 17<sup>th</sup>. St. Peter's remains committed to ensuring that you have multiple opportunities to enter into this Lenten season and to worship in a safe environment respecting all COVID guidelines.

Therefore, in order that attendance levels remain safe with proper social distancing, registration for Ash Wednesday will be required. Registration will begin on Monday, February 1<sup>st</sup> at 9:00am and will continue until Tuesday, February 16<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm. You may register online through our parish Flocknote system or by calling our parish office at 732-545-6820.

To avoid person-to-person contact to the greatest extent possible, ashes will be distributed on the forehead through the use of Q-Tip cotton swabs administered by the priest or deacon. The priest/deacon will have a fresh swab for each person and the swab will be immediately discarded after each use for proper disposal afterwards. The liturgies are as follows:

<b><u>Time</u></b>	<b><u>Liturgy</u></b>
<b>7:30am</b>	<b>Mass</b>
<b>12:15pm</b>	<b>Mass</b>
<b>4:30pm</b>	<b>Liturgy of Word</b>
<b>6:30pm</b>	<b>Liturgy of Word</b>
<b>8:00pm</b>	<b>Mass (w/Music)</b>

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact our parish office and we will be happy to assist you. May we pray as a united community of faith that this Lenten season, especially during these times, may strengthen our call to holiness and hope towards the victorious promises of Easter.

## *Resources During Lent*

### Lenten Obligations

So that the Church of Metuchen may be spiritually one in a common observance of Lent, the following days of fast and abstinence are to be observed by all Catholics of the Diocese who enjoy the blessings of good health:

1. The days of fast and abstinence are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

2. All other Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence.

3. From the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday until the celebration of the Easter Vigil on the evening of Holy Saturday, the Easter fast should be observed so that, with uplifted and welcoming hearts, we may be ready to celebrate the joys of the Resurrection.

This ancient tradition, intimately connected with the Rites of Holy Week and the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults, is encouraged, especially in those places baptizing catechumens at the Easter Vigil.

The obligation to fast applies only to Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59. To fast in the Catholic tradition means to limit oneself to one full meal during the day so as to experience hunger.

The obligation of abstinence affects all Catholics who have reached the age of 14. Abstinence in the Catholic tradition means to abstain from meat.

The obligation of fast and abstinence, as a whole, is a serious obligation. While failure to observe any penitential day in itself may not be considered serious, the failure to observe any penitential days at all, or a substantial number of them without good cause, would be considered a grave matter. Those unable to abstain for a valid reason on any given Friday of Lent are asked to perform some other penitential act, or to abstain on another day.

### Women's Lenten Group

All women are invited to join in a virtual Lenten spirituality group beginning on Sunday, February 21 on Zoom. The group will meet each Sunday of Lent at 2:30 p.m. using the Ascension Press "Lenten Companion" book. For more details or to join, please contact Cristina D'Averso-Collins, Director of Family Life, at [cdaverso@diometuchen.org](mailto:cdaverso@diometuchen.org).

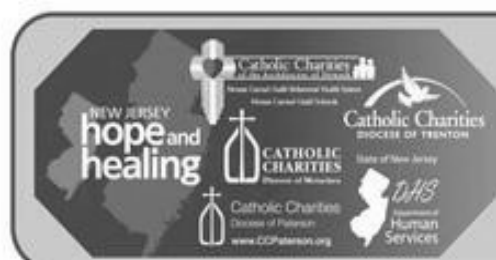


### LIVING LENT AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY

Join Rev. Timothy Christy, Vicar General of the Diocese of Metuchen, for a talk and reflection on our journey during these 40 days of Lent. Through this talk, to be held virtually on Thursday, February 25 at 7:30 p.m. on Zoom, you will be invited to follow Jesus into the desert – in a spiritual sense. This spiritual journey takes people away from the commotion of the world to a quiet place where we can hear God and be purified and prepared by Him for Easter and the mission He is calling us to. The journey involves temptations, prayer, fasting and almsgiving, but also freedom and grace through detachment.

Register by visiting:  
[www.diometuchen.org/evangelization](http://www.diometuchen.org/evangelization)





## Catholic Charities Hope and Healing February 2021 Calendar

*For more information  
or to receive crisis counseling services  
pertaining to COVID-19, call 732-204-6510*

### Enter Meeting ID and Passcode to Join

**Monday, February 1<sup>st</sup>** 3:30 - 4:30 pm – Frozen Trivia  
Meeting ID: 978 0349 4465 Passcode: 048151

**Tuesday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>** 4:00 – 4:30 pm – Tipster Tuesday!!  
Baking Tips!! Meeting ID: 940 3740 5944 Passcode:  
610487

**Wednesday Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup>** 3:30 – 4:30 pm – Staying Positive  
During Covid Meeting ID: 969 2733 1317 Passcode:  
907085

**Thursday, February 4<sup>th</sup>** 1 - 1:45 pm - Thankful Thursdays:  
Expressing Gratitude Meeting ID: 935 9429 8578  
Passcode: 522138

**Thursday February 4<sup>th</sup>** 5:30 – 6:30 pm–Spanish - Speaking  
Support Group Meeting ID: 962 9850 9307 Passcode:  
902869

**Friday, February 5<sup>th</sup>** 5:00 - 6:00 pm – Dance Freeze  
Meeting ID: 933 1661 1058 Passcode: 940380

**Monday, February 8<sup>th</sup>** 4 – 5 pm – Meditation Monday  
Meeting ID: 992 2804 8488

**Monday, February 8<sup>th</sup>** 5:30– 6:30 pm – Support Group for  
Covid Positive Individuals & Their Loved Ones  
Meeting ID: 928 6652 1003 Passcode: 144411

**Tuesday Feb. 9<sup>th</sup>** 4:00 – 4:30 pm – Tipster Tuesday!!  
Energy Saving Tips!! Meeting ID: 940 3740 5944 Passcode:  
610487

**Wednesday, February 10<sup>th</sup>** 3:30 – 4:30 pm – Valentine's  
Day Virtual Event Meeting ID: 995 8625 6289

**Wed. February 10<sup>th</sup>** 5:00 – 6:00 pm – Spanish - Speaking  
Meditation Meeting ID: 973 9538 8105 Passcode: 788790

**Thursday, February 11<sup>th</sup>** 1 - 1:45 pm - Thankful  
Thursdays: Expressing Gratitude Meeting ID: 935 9429  
8578  
Passcode: 522138

**Thursday, February 11<sup>th</sup>** 5:00 – 6:00 pm – Parent Drop-In  
Session Meeting ID: 916 5227 8548 Passcode: 439609

**Thursday, Feb 11<sup>th</sup>** 9:30 -10:30am-The Golden Hour  
Senior Support Group Meeting ID: 945 9201  
2165 Passcode: 924081

**Friday, February 12<sup>th</sup>** 4:00 – 5:00 pm – Valentine's Day  
Craft Meeting ID: 979 3839 4928 Passcode: 727414

**Tuesday February 16<sup>th</sup>** 4:00 – 4:30 pm – Tipster Tuesday!!  
Self-Care Tips!! Meeting ID: 940 3740 5944 Passcode:  
610487

**Tuesday February 16<sup>th</sup>** 4:00 – 5 pm – Craft Tuesday  
Meeting ID: 938 7133 1736

**Tuesday, February 16<sup>th</sup>** 5:30 – 6:30 pm – Spanish -  
Speaking – The Psychology of Color Meeting ID: 922 2789  
1148 Passcode: 428462

**Wednesday, February 17<sup>th</sup>** 10:30 – 11:30 am – Coffee  
Club Meeting ID: 914 1344 8492 Passcode: 286535

**Thursday, February 18<sup>th</sup>** 1 - 1:45 pm - Thankful  
Thursdays: Expressing Gratitude Meeting ID: 935 9429  
8578  
Passcode: 522138

**Thursday, February 18<sup>th</sup>** 3:30 – 4:30 pm – Brain Games  
Meeting ID: 975 1784 9622 Passcode: 545950

**Thursday, February 18<sup>th</sup>** 4:00 – 5:00 pm – Thinky  
Thursday Meeting ID: 955 1324 9806

**Friday, February 19<sup>th</sup>** 6:00 – 7:00 pm – Disney Trivia  
Meeting ID: 972 5046 6093 Passcode: 851505

**Monday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>** 12:00 – 12:30 pm – Meditation  
Monday Meeting ID: 942 6616 7672 Passcode: 352273

**Tues. February 23<sup>rd</sup>** 4:00 – 4:30 pm–Tipster Tuesday!  
Organization Tips! Meeting ID: 940 3740 5944 Passcode:  
610487

**Wed. February 24<sup>th</sup>** 5:00–5:30 pm– Spanish-Speaking  
Energy Saving Tips Meeting ID: 969 2100 4346 Passcode:  
701716

**Thursday, February 25<sup>th</sup>** 11:00 – 11:30 am – Chair  
Exercises Meeting ID: 955 7675 0130 Passcode: 481810

**Thursday Feb 25<sup>th</sup>** 1 - 1:45 pm-Thankful Thursdays:  
Expressing Gratitude Meeting ID: 935 9429 8578  
Passcode: 522138

**Thurs Feb 25<sup>th</sup>** 9:30-10:30am- The Golden Hour Senior  
Support Group Meeting ID: 935 4896 7911 Passcode:  
361633

**Friday, February 26<sup>th</sup>** 4:30 – 5:30 pm – Family Yoga  
Meeting ID: 941 4493 0733 Passcode: 661718

**Saturday, February 27<sup>th</sup>** 10:30 – 11:30 am – Vision Boards  
Meeting ID: 966 5094 2427 Passcode: 954705